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SUBJECT: VICE PRESIDENT'S STOP IN EGYPT

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STOP IN EGYPT, RELEASED LATE FRIDAY AFTERNOON WASHINGTON
TIME, AND SUPPORTING QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

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ON HIS WAY BACK FROM THE MIDDLE EAST. THE VICE PRESIDENT
WILL MEET WITH PRESIDENT SADAT ON JULY 3 BEFORE RETURNING
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FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN EGYPT AND THE UNITED STATES,
THE VICE PRESIDENT LOOKS FORWARD TO THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR
A THOROUGH-GOING DISCUSSION WITH THE PRESIDENT.

3. QUESTION: IS HE GOING TO NEGOTIATE? WILL HE BE
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IS THIS THE FIRST MOVE IN THE ADMINISTRATION EFFORT TO
BREAK THE NEGOTIATING DEADLOCK IN THE MIDDLE EAST?

ANSWER: -- THE VICE PRESIDENT INTENDS TO REVIEW WITH
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THE OUTLOOK FOR ACHIEVING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

-- HIS STOP IN EGYPT AT PRESIDENT SADAT'S REQUEST UNDER-
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ISRAEL, THE VICE PRESIDENT WILL EMPHASIZE THE CONTINUING
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-- BUT BEYOND THESE GENERAL DISCUSSIONS, THE VICE
PRESIDENT DURING HIS BRIEF STOP IN EGYPT, WILL NOT BE
ENGAGING IN DETAILED TALKS ABOUT NEXT STEPS IN THE PEACE
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ON BACKGROUND:

-- REMEMBER, THE PRIME PURPOSE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S
TRIP IS TO HONOR THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF ISRAEL AS
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-- BUT BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF EGYPT TO THE NEO-
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